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INSPECTION FACT SHEET

COMPANY NAME Rock Springs Enterprises ID # Non Handler
MAILING ADDRESS PO Box 95 TYPE OF FACILITY Non Handler
Chester WV 26034
LOCATION Eighth Street COUNTY Hancock
Chester WV
COMPANY CONTACT Robert Deitz HANDLING CODES None
PHONE (304) 387 41 8

PURPOSE Citizen s Complaint

APPLICABLE REGULATIONS West Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Act Chapter 22 18
West Virginia Administrative Regulations for Chapter 22 18
and/or 40 CFR Parts 260 thru 279

LIST OF CHEMICALS

(For Small Quantity Generators list amount of waste how it is handled where it goes)

☐ DETERMINATION PENDING

☒ NOT APPLICABLE

☐ VIOLATIONS

☐ NO VIOLATIONS

☐ ORDER

DATE INSPECTED October 21 1998

INSPECTOR (1) Michael G Blumish, West Virginia Division of Environmental Protection
Office of Waste Management Wheeling Field Office

PREPARED BY Michael G Blumish Office of Waste Management

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TRIP REPORT

RE Rock Springs Enterprises

DATE October 21 1998

INSPECTORS Michael G Blumish, West Virginia Division of Environmental Protection
Office of Waste Management Wheeling Field Office

PREPARED BY Michael G Blumish Office of Waste Management

A complaint was received by the WV DEP Wheeling Field Office. The complainant had written a letter to the US EPA in Cincinnati Ohio. The letter was faxed to the US EPA in Wheeling and subsequently handed over the WV DEP.

The letter referred to a closed facility located on the north end of Chester West Virginia. The complainant referred to the site as Taylor Smith & Taylor Pottery. I contacted the complainant and met the individual at the site.

My limited knowledge of the site led me to contact Mr. Bob Reed, the owner of DTC Tank Cleaning. Mr. Reed informed me that he was not the property owner and only leased a small portion of the site. He provided me with the name and phone number of the owner, Mr. Bob Deitz (office [304] 387-4118, home [304] 386-3813).

I contacted Mr. Deitz and scheduled a meeting on site. Mr. Deitz accompanied me on a walk through of the site. He explained that the site was owned and operated by Taylor Smith & Taylor Pottery until the 1970s. The site was then sold to Anchor Hocking, who attempted to operate the facility as designed. Mr. Deitz's son purchased the site from Anchor Hocking in the 1980s but never manufactured anything. The site was transferred to Mr. Deitz after the death of his son. Mr. Deitz does not use the site but rents out some of the smaller buildings for storage of equipment and chemicals.

The site consists of a large building along the north side of the property. This building contains a number of pottery kilns and some of the associated heavy machinery required to operate the kilns. The roof of the building is collapsing in several areas and many of the doors and windows are broken open. There is evidence that people are frequenting several areas on both the main and upper floors.

Adjacent to the building's south side is a waste pile that consists primarily of broken pottery. The top of this pile is located near the bridge abutment for US Route 50 that runs over the southern portion of this site.

A number of smaller buildings and a few material storage silos are located in several areas around the site. Mr. Deitz provided an inventory list that was prepared by Mr. L. R. Bartlett of Anchor Hocking in January of 1984. (A copy is provided in Attachment A.) The letter states that several tons of clays, flint and spar are still remaining in the silos. Mr. Deitz states that these materials are still on site.

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We then discussed the results of a Phase I Environmental Audit that was conducted on this site. Mr. Deitz stated that a hotel chain was interested in purchasing the property a short time ago. As part of their investigation into purchasing the site, they completed the Phase I audit. Mr. Deitz stated that he was told verbally that there were no problems found. He was however, not given a copy of the final report.

I informed Mr. Deitz that if that information is unavailable, a second site visit would be needed so that samples of the waste pile and selected inside areas could be collected and analyzed.

A second trip to the site was conducted on October 21, 1998. Samples were collected from the top of the waste pile and from inside and under one of the kilns. The samples were analyzed for total arsenic, total cadmium, total lead, and total selenium. A summary of the results is shown in Table 1 of this report.

After a brief discussion with members of the US EPA, regarding the concentrations of contaminants found to be present in the referenced samples, it appears that further investigation of the potential health and environmental threats associated with this site will be necessary. This matter will be referred back to the US EPA for any further action that they deem necessary. The WV DEP will however, remain involved with the investigation and any subsequent action that may arise.

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TABLE 1 Contaminant Concentrations found at the Rock Springs Enterprises Site, Chester, WV

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>SAMPLE 1</u>	<u>SAMPLE 2</u>	<u>SAMPLE 3</u>	<u>SAMPLE 4</u>
Total Arsenic	9.13	7.65	86.5	3.15
Total Cadmium	ND	ND	2.10	3.35
Total Lead	2.440	61.000	835	990
Total Selenium	ND	ND	ND	ND

ND = Contaminant Not Detected above minimum detection level used

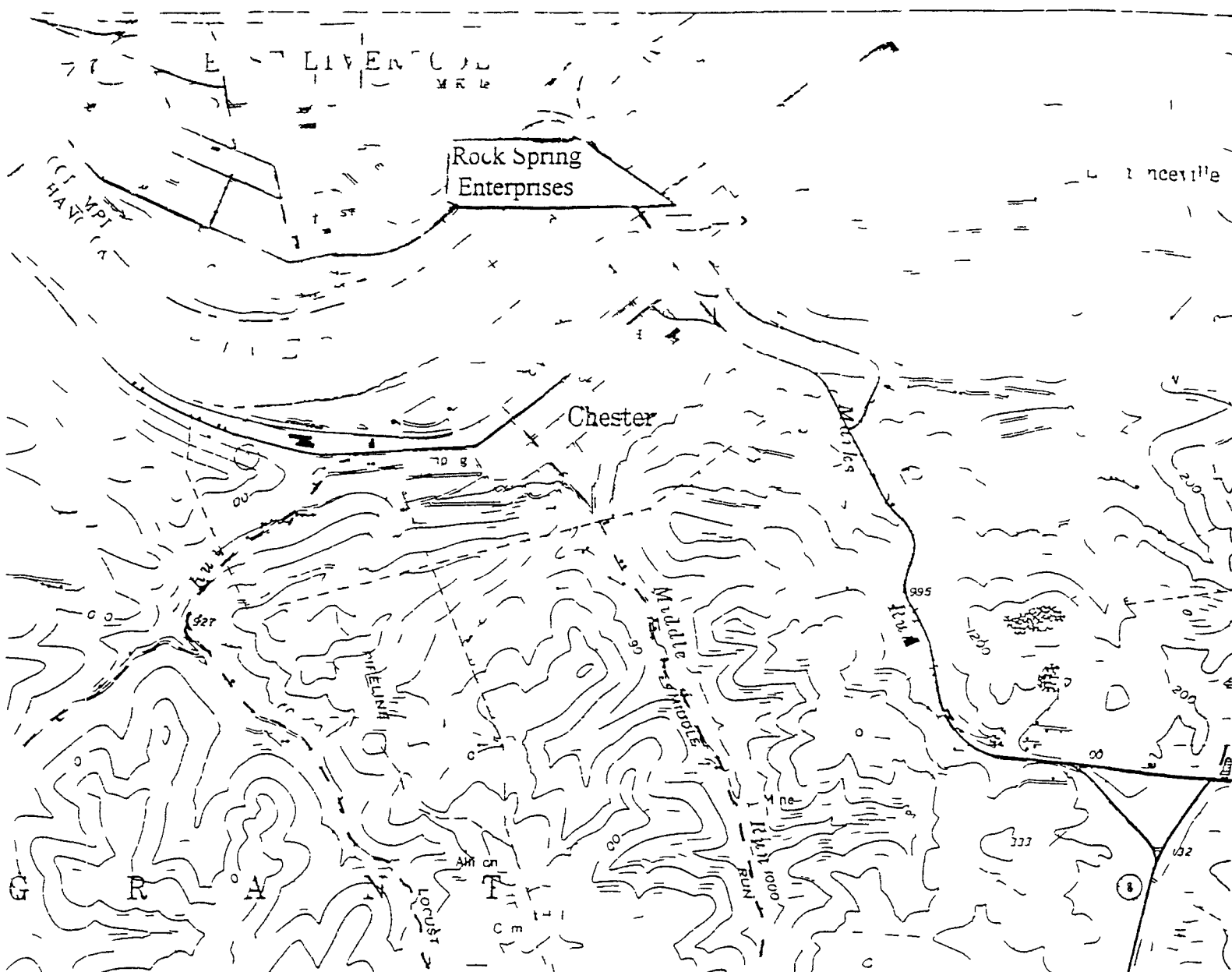
* all numeric values are expressed in mg/kg

SAMPLE 1	East side of pile
SAMPLE 2	West side of pile
SAMPLE 3	Inside kiln
SAMPLE 4	Passageway underneath kiln

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LOCATION MAP

Rock Springs Enterprises Chester, WV



EAST LIVERPOOL SOUTH OHIO W VA PA

SE LS ILL CU CR G
40080 E5 Tr 024

1960
PHOTOREVISED 1985
DMA 8 II S S RIES V8

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ATTACHMENT A

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Anchor Hocking

109 North Broad Street
Lancaster Ohio 43130

January 7, 1984

Mr R D Humphreys
c/o East Liverpool Chamber of Commerce
518 Market Street
East Liverpool, OH 43920

Dear Dick

It is my understanding that your client Mr Hans F Dietz visited the TS&T plant earlier this week and inquired of our maintenance foreman of the capacity of the silos and the quantity of materials remaining in storage

To the best of my knowledge, taken from the last inventory report dated November 28 1981 the following quantities are in the silos

<u>Silo</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Approx Inventory</u>
#1	F C Clay	200 ton	128 ton
#2	D F F Clay	200 ton	80 ton
#3	Spar	200 ton	68 ton
4	Dark Ball	200 ton	68 ton
#5	Flint	200 ton	68 ton
#6a	Flint	100 ton	74 ton
E6b	Spar	100 ton	100 ton
#7a	D F F Clay	100 ton	70 ton
#7b	Jackson Ball	100 ton	74 ton

Please pass this on to Mr Dietz

I understand that Mr Morris is a very experienced man and Mr Dietz would be very interested in working for Mr Dietz if he needs someone to continue at the plant Mr Morris completed 25 years at TS&T and Anchor in October 1982 and is very knowledgeable of the plant

If I can supply you or Mr Dietz with other data, please advise

Very truly yours

ANCHOR HOCKING CORPORATION

L R Bartlett Manager
Real Estate Department
614-687-2330

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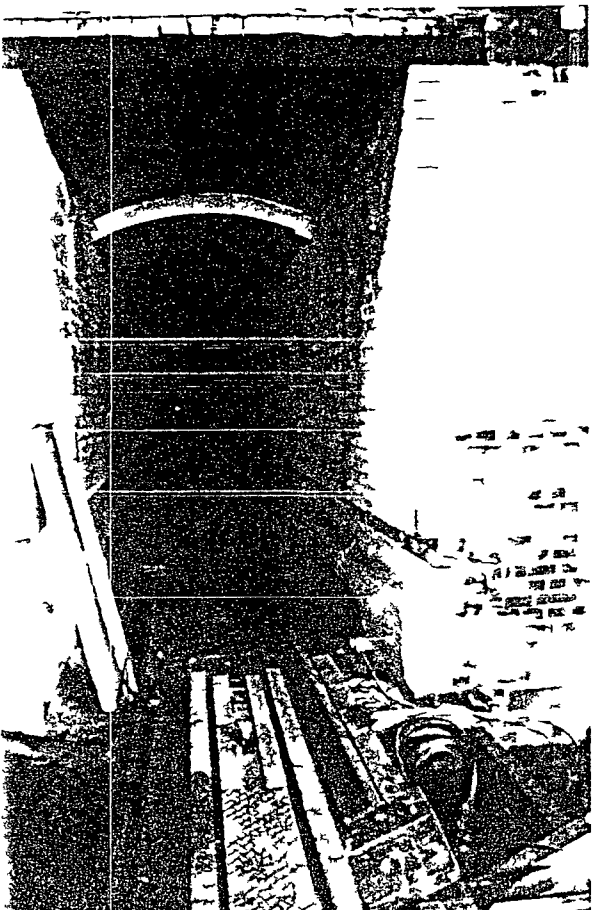
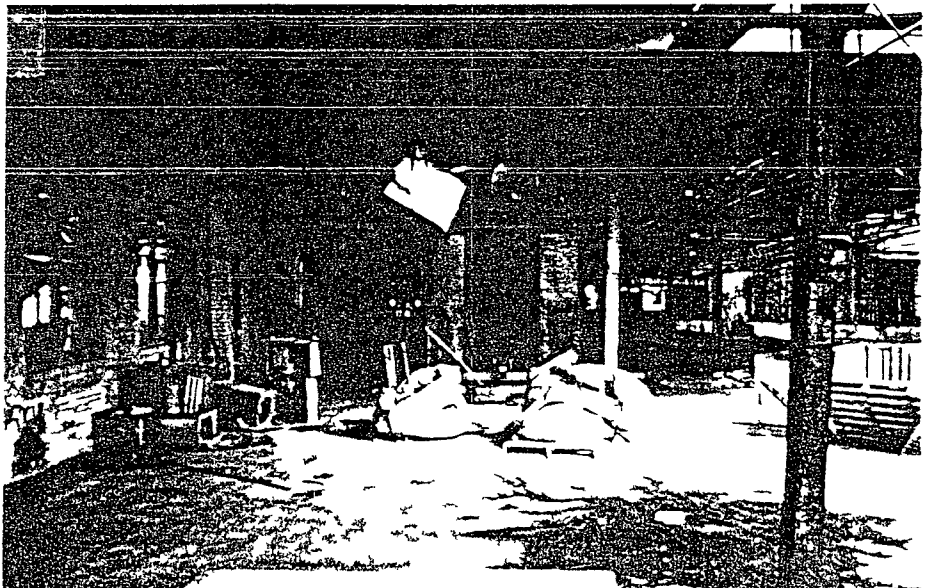
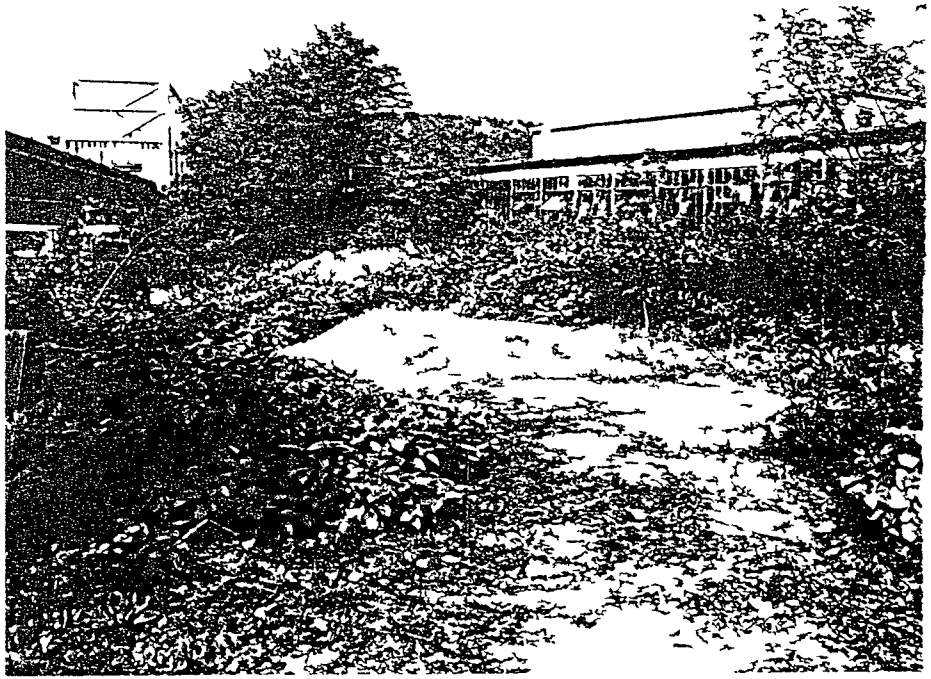
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Location Chester WV

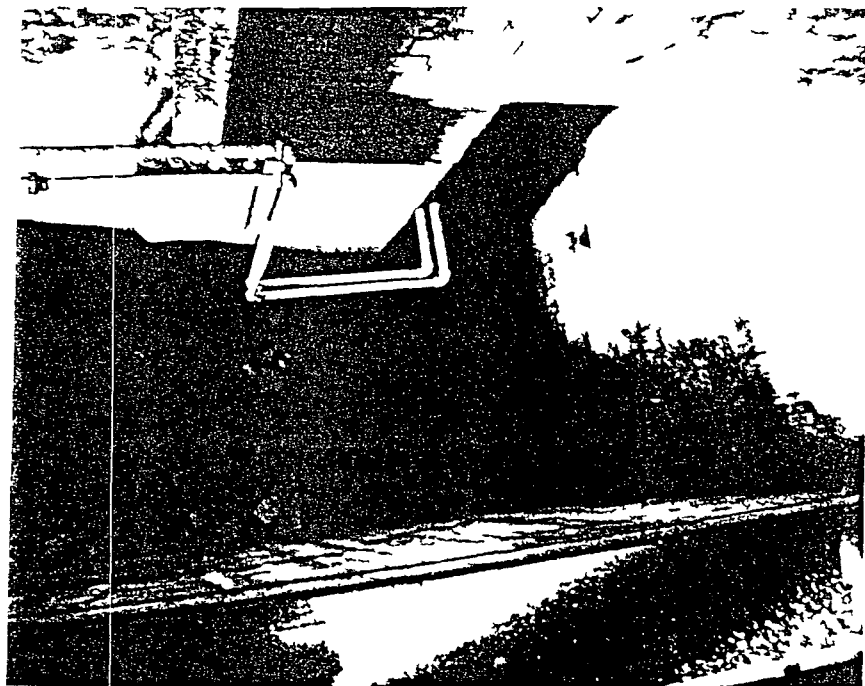
Photo #	Time	Lighting Condition	Description
1	13 07	Sunny	View of waste pile from east looking toward the west. Sample number 2 was collected from the top of the pile in the center of the photo. The building in the right of the photo is the main building noted in the text. The road and bridge are part of US Route 30.
2	13 08	Sunny	View of waste pile looking south. Sample number 1 was collected from the clearing in the center of the photo. The bridge in the background is part of US Route 30.
3	13 15	Low Light	View inside the kiln where sample number three was collected. Inside height of kiln is approximately eight feet.
4	13 16	Low Light	Overview showing entrance of kiln from photo number 3.
5	13 28	Low Light	View of passage under kiln. Location where sample number 4 was collected.
6	13 30	Low Light	Overview showing area around passageway in photo number 5.

Film Description Kodak Gold
Date Photos Taken October 21, 1998
Focal Length of Lens Variable
Photographer Mike Blumish
Developer Superior Photo
Log Prepared By Mike Blumish

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